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History of Grace Church

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

of the Diocese of Western Michigan

By Edgar W. Hunting

A LONG back in the Seventies when Grand Rapids had a population of only about eighteen or twenty thousand people, the old Mother Church of St. Mark's secured as a Rector from the East, the Reverend Samuel P. Earp, a man of remarkable energy, unusual physical and mental vigor and with the true militant Christian spirit. He was tireless in his efforts for the upbuilding of the church in this city. His influence with the younger people was a remarkable trait and that he might utilize to the fullest extent the spirit of helpfulness which he inspired in them he established, early in 1871, a Mission Sunday School of St. Mark's in an old one story wooden primary school-building at South Prospect and Wealthy Street, at that time near the outskirts of the city and in a neighborhood void of churches and inhabited largely by people of limited financial ability.

A Sunday School was organized, holding sessions early in the afternoon of Sunday and followed by the regular church services conducted by Mr. Earp. Mr. W. Wisner Taylor, a young attorney, was superintendent of the Sunday School, assisted by a corps of seven teachers. The attendance numbered about eighty pupils. The earliest written records which we have of this work

date from early in 1872. At this time Mr. Charles R. Sligh

became superintendent and continued as such for over two years, thus commencing his connection with this parish.

The following named persons were active in the work of the Sunday School and the chapel and to their zealous, persistent and conscientious efforts is due much of the credit for the initial work that resulted in the formation of a parish that today is a great factor in the life and welfare of the city.

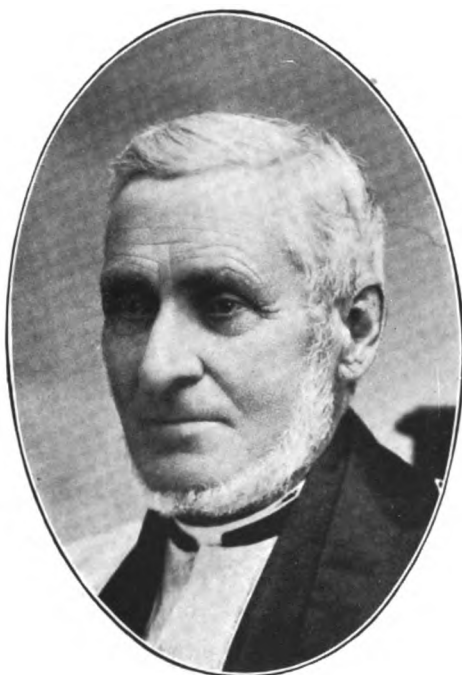
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hinsdale
Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mosher
Mr. Timothy I. Tanner
Miss Emily Miller (Mrs. Jacob Kleinhans)
Miss Viola Miller (Mrs. George R. Allen)
Miss Minnie McConnell (Mrs. Wm. H. Knowlton)
Miss Maria Van Zant



REV. SAMUEL P. EARP



CHARLES R. SLIGH



REV. SETH H. CHAPIN

Miss Emma Earle	Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hardy
Miss Minnie Mosher	Miss Emma Clapp
Miss Emma Smith	Mrs. Mitchell
Mrs. Strong	Miss Nellie McReynolds
Mr. John Otto	Mr. George Thompson
Mr. J. W. Curts	

In the year 1871 the Reverend Seth H. Chapin was appointed missionary. His coming, with his interesting family, was a great stimulus to the work and resulted in increased attendance and interest. After Mr. Chapin's coming services were conducted in the morning and the attendance at Sunday School gradually increased to about 250, presided over by some fifteen teachers. Sunday afternoons Mr. Chapin usually conducted services at some point five or six miles outside the city.

On February 15th, 1875, the mission became incorporated as Grace Church Parish, with thirteen charter members, St. Mark's executing a deed to the property in favor of Grace Church. On the incorporation of the Parish the following were elected Vestrymen:

Mr. Timothy I. Tanner	Mr. C. B. Mosher
Mr. George W. Hardy	Mr. A. J. Mitchell
Mr. William Luther	Mr. J. M. Crane
Mr. C. Tanner	

Rev. Seth H. Chapin was the first Rector and continued the work a few months longer when he resigned to accept the Rectorship of the church at St. Johns, Michigan.

In the fall of 1875 the Reverend Wm. H. Knowlton became Rector. He was a young man recently from the Seminary, imbued with the spirit of work for the Master, and an earnest desire to bring especially the young men and women of the community to lead upright Christian lives. His work was eminently successful and the Church prospered and deepened in its religious life and grew in usefulness under his ministrations. The young people all loved him and gladly followed his lead. During his Rectorship here he married one of his parishioners, Miss Minnie McConnell, daughter of John W. McConnell.

Shortly after he took charge the patronage which the mission had received from St. Mark's was withdrawn, and the little Church was left to struggle on its own account.

At this date there were very few residences south of Wealthy St. and even as far north as Cherry, it was sparsely settled.



REV. WM. H. KNOWLTON

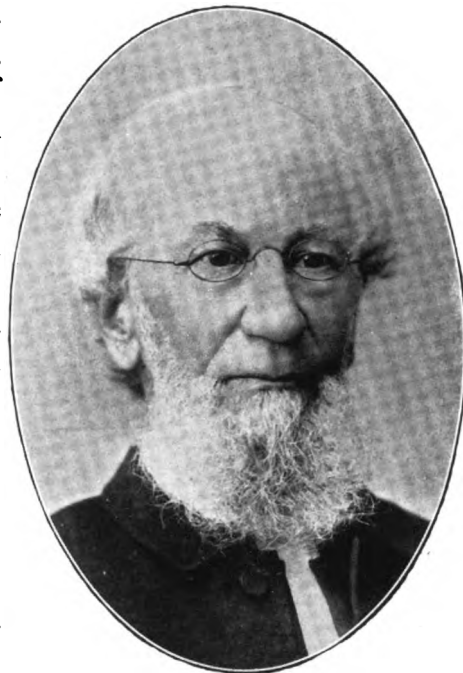
The location not appearing favorable for future growth, it was decided to move to our present location, and in August 1877 the present location, corner of Cherry and Lafayette Avenue, was purchased from C. C. Rood.

A small amount was paid down on the purchase price, and a mortgage given to Mr. John W. McConnell for the balance \$3,300.00.

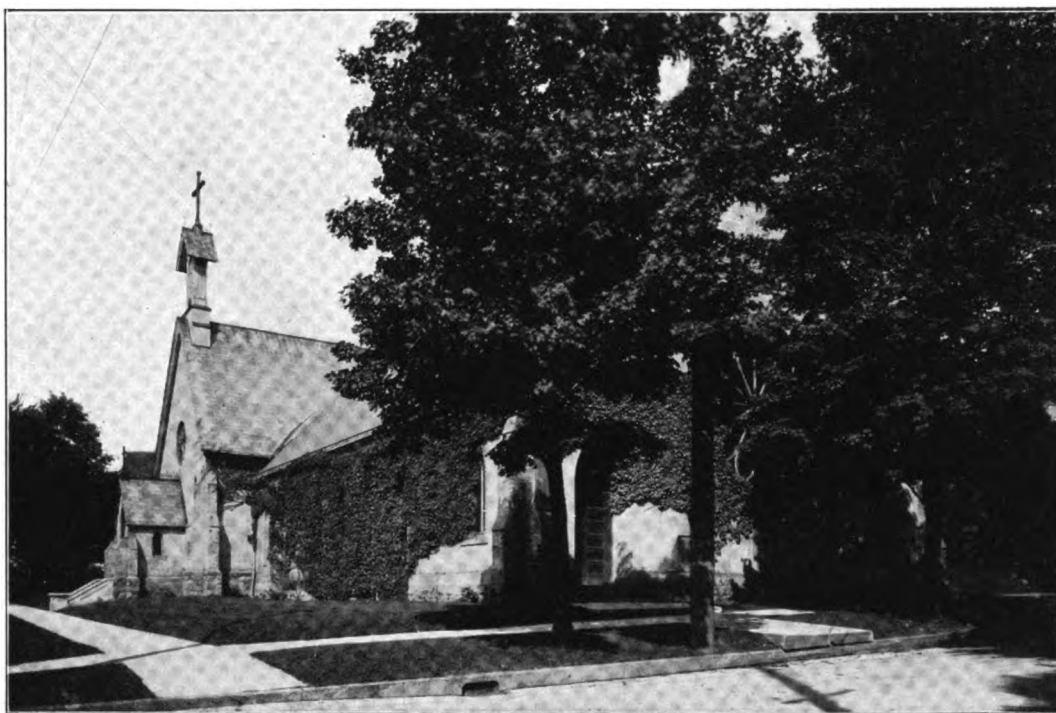
This mortgage, and interest of about \$500.00 was afterward paid by a bequest in the will of Mrs. Rosalie M. Smith, on the condition that the pews or seats should be free perpetually.

Mrs. Smith was the widow of J. Mortimer Smith who built and occupied the home on the North East corner of Madison Avenue and Cherry Streets. They were communicants of St. Mark's and relatives of Miss Van Zant, who was a very active and valued member of Grace Church.

Through the efforts of Mr. Knowlton and his parishioners a small brick chapel was erected. This chapel stood where is now the present entrance and hall of the Parish house, chancel and altar of the church. It had a seating capacity of about two hundred. The entrance was from Lafayette Street. The cornerstone was laid September 21st, 1877, by Bishop Gillespie, and the first service held in the church August, 1878.



BISHOP GILLESPIE



SHOWING ORIGINAL CHAPEL AND ENTRANCE—1893



REV. CHAS. H. WARD

In 1877 the vestry consisted of the following:

Timothy I. Tanner, Senior Warden	
C. B. Mosher, Junior Warden	
F. V. Taylor	A. H. Fowle
Jacob Kleinhans	A. B. Coffinberry
Erastus Hall	

In 1878 the wardens were:

Timothy I. Tanner, Senior Warden
A. B. Coffinberry, Junior Warden

In 1879 the wardens were:

A. B. Coffinberry, Senior Warden
F. V. Taylor, Junior Warden

Among the Vestrymen during this time appear the names of Wm. M. Robinson, H. P. Burgwin, W. H. Raiguel, R. M. Montgomery, N. A. Fletcher and Charles R. Sligh. Mr. F. W. Mould was Secretary of the Vestry.

Miss Anna Rich (Mrs. Charles K. Seymour) was the first organist. She rendered most faithful and loyal service to the church in this capacity and in many

other ways that endeared her to every member of the parish.

Mr. Charles K. Seymour and Mr. George E. Luther were superintendents of the Sunday School during Mr. Knowlton's incumbency and were a power for good among the younger people. Reverend Wm. H. Knowlton resigned in 1879 to accept the Rectorship of a church in Minnesota.

A call was then extended to and accepted by Rev. Charles H. Ward. He was a broad gauged, liberal-minded, progressive clergyman who preached the living Church. He was not bound by form or ceremony but held the life and teachings of Christ as the essential things to fit one for service and usefulness. He possessed a brilliant mind and an eloquent and forceful delivery. The church was filled to capacity whenever he preached. He was with us only about one year when he accepted a call to a larger parish in New Jersey.

The Rev. Frank C. Coolbaugh became Rector in 1880, and served until 1886.

Mr. Coolbaugh was a most popular Rector with the younger people, hard working, and built up the parish on a solid foundation.

A rectory was built on the south end of the church lot in 1884.

In April 1881 Mr. A. B. Coffinberry was elected Senior Warden, and Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, Junior Warden.

On April 10, 1882, Mr. Coffinberry resigned as Senior Warden and Mr. Jacob Kleinhans was elected Senior Warden, and Mr. W. H. Raiguel Junior Warden.

During Mr. Coolbaugh's time appear as Vestrymen,



REV. FRANK C. COOLBAUGH

the names of Robert Hazeltine, S. L. Fuller, Alfred Baxter, F. C. Stratton, L. D. Follett, H. C. Matram, E. F. Sweet, Charles K. Seymour, Joseph Heald. Somewhat later appear the names of Mr. Grout, Mr. E. A. Hamilton, Mr. Snell, Dr. Collins H. Johnston, W. H. Jones, J. E. Kenning, and Geo. E. Hardy.

In 1886 Mr. Coolbaugh resigned and for a few months the Rev. Geo. C. West was Rector.

In 1888 the Rev. Theodore Knapp, D. D. was called, and became Rector. He resigned in 1890 to become Rector of St. George's Church, a large influential parish in New Orleans. The parish deeply regretted his leaving. His daughter, Mrs. Chas. H. Bender, is a valued member of the parish.

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs became Rector that same fall. Dr. Hubbs was a very spiritual minded, scholarly and withal a very lovable man.

His sermons were of a high order. He was ably assisted by his charming and devoted wife. He brought the parish into a strong and healthy condition, resulting in a steady growth.

The need of a larger edifice to properly take care of the growth of the parish engaged the attention of the congregation, and in 1892 the building of a new church was undertaken. A lot was purchased on Terrace Avenue and the Rectory moved to it. The cornerstone of the present Church was laid by Bishop Gillespie in September, 1892.

It was completed at a cost of about \$22,000.00 and the first services were held on Easter Day, 1893.

It has a seating capacity of about 650. An organ was purchased and installed for the opening, and was used until 1901, when the present organ was purchased.



REV. JOHN BREWSTER HUBBS, D. D.

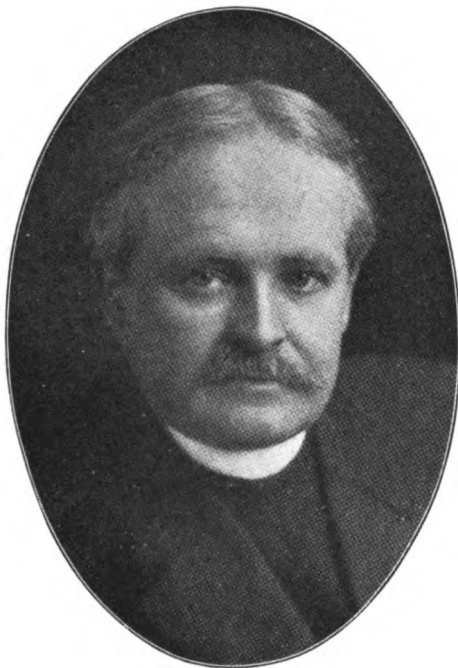


REV. THEODORE KNAPP, D. D.

The Vestry that built the present Church was as follows: Senior Warden, Jacob Kleinhans; Junior Warden, W. H. Raiguel; Vestrymen, F. C. Stratton, Alfred Baxter, Eugene A. Hamilton, Geo. E. Hardy, Charles K. Seymour, William H. Jones, Dr. Collins H. Johnston.

The financial panic of 1893 made the burden of carrying on the building and meeting the obligations incurred a tremendous hardship on them. Dr. Hubbs' contribution was a voluntary reduction of his salary, and we, who are today enjoying the present wonderful property possessed by the Church, must ever hold in most grateful remembrance the above mentioned names. Mention should be made here of the efficient work of Mr. Geo. E. Hardy. He was the church treasurer during these times, and his services were invaluable.

New names as Vestrymen about this time were Geo. E. Luther, Charles H. Bender, David C. Scribner, 1896,



REV. R. H. FORTESQUE GAIRDNER

E. W. Hunting, in 1897, A. D. Leavenworth, 1898.

In 1897 Dr. Hubbs resigned to become Rector of St. Peter's Church, Geneva, N. Y. and some ten years later accepted the chair of History at Hobart College, and later became and is Chaplain of Hobart College.

Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner then became Rector, coming from Niles, Michigan. He possessed a natural genius for organization and initiated the work that resulted in the establishment of the Women's Guilds, which have been and are today the greatest force in the Church's activities, except, of course, the work of the Rector and the Sunday School.

Mr. Gairdner was a scholarly man, eloquent and brilliant, and in the conduct of the services always dignified and impressive. During his ministrations the attendance was largely increased. Interest in the work through the guilds, men's clubs and other organizations contributed largely to the growth of the church.

The hospitality of Mr. Gairdner and his wife was a distinguishing feature in the social life of the congregation and was a potent influence for good. He resigned in 1906 to accept the Rectorship of a much larger church in Chicago.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the church was celebrated with a Parish dinner, held in Park Congregational Church.

In 1902 Mr. E. C. Leavenworth succeeded W. H. Raiguel as Junior Warden.

Rev. Francis R. Godolphin was extended a call to Grace Church while he was Rector at Petoskey, Mich. He entered upon his work here in the fall of 1906. He was a believer in the institutional church and was cordially supported by the Vestry and his parishioners.

At this time, 1908, the church owned only about 150 feet fronting on Lafayette Avenue. Negotiations were opened which resulted in the purchase of the old Wm. A. Berkey homestead, adjoining the Church property on the north from Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Reynolds, for \$11,000. This purchase secured a very commodious rectory and sufficient ground to erect a Parish House. The old rectory on South Prospect Street was sold and the proceeds applied on the new purchase. The additional amount required for the purchase of the new rectory and lot was quickly subscribed. During the year 1908 much time was devoted to perfecting plans for a Parish House and securing subscriptions.

Mr. Godolphin, Mr. Chas. R. Sligh and members of the finance and building committees secured considerable amounts from citizens outside of our communion on a subscription paper which provided that the Parish House would be the property of Grace Church and under its exclusive control but its privileges would be open to people of all creeds or no creeds. After subscriptions of about \$20,000 had been secured work on the structure was begun and the cornerstone was laid in 1909. The building cost about \$28,000. The only other building of this character in Grand Rapids at this time was the one erected by St. Mark's a few years previously. Since then many denominations have provided themselves with similar buildings for like purposes.

The building of the Parish House evidenced the progressive and militant spirit of the Grace Church membership and the courage and faith of a comparatively small congregation in undertaking the task.

The remarkable work that has been accomplished by Grace Church in recent years, through the facilities which the parish house affords, has justified a thousand times over the sacrifice, the energy and the time devoted to its building.

In March 1911 a severe fire almost destroyed the Parish House. It was refinished and reopened in June 1911.

Mr. Godolphin's rectorship was marked by progress and growth that was substantial and helpful not only to the Church but to the community at large. He resigned in October 1913 to accept the Rectorship of Grace Church, Oak Park, Chicago.

The names of Clarence R. Hills, Charles C. Cargill, Wm. W. Williams, Henry J. Bennett, Geo. E. Walker, and Charles R. Sligh appear as Vestrymen.

The Rev. Geo. Paull Torrence Sargent became Rector and held his first service the first Sunday in Advent, 1913.

In January 1914 occurred the death of the Junior Warden, Edmund C. Leavenworth, who had served in that capacity for twelve years. His love for the Church was evidenced by his regularity in attendance, for rarely did he miss a service if he were in town.

In January 1914 William H. Jones was elected Junior Warden.

During 1913 and 1914 the debt was reduced by the payment of \$10,000.00.

In February 1915 the matter of the indebtedness on the Church property was brought before the Parish, and pledges for about \$21,000.00 were given, which about covered our debts with interest.

A number of members anticipated the payments of the pledges enabling the parish to pay off the original mortgage which had been on the Church property since it was built.

This payment permitted the consecration of the Church, which ceremony was held on October 17, 1915. The Church was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. John Newton McCormick, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan.

At this service were present all the living ex-rectors—to wit: The Rev. Frank C. Coolbaugh, the Rev. John B. Hubbs, D. D., the Rev. R. H. F. Gairdner and Rev. Francis R. Godolphin.

On October 7th, 1918 occurred the death of Mr. Jacob Kleinhans, who had been Senior Warden of the parish for the last 36 consecutive years. At his death he was also Chancellor of the Diocese, and member of the Standing Committee.

Rarely in the history of any Parish do you find, as



REV. FRANCIS R. GODOLPHIN



E. C. LEAVENWORTH



JACOB KLEINHANS

in the case of Mr. Kleinhans, a Vestryman for over forty consecutive years, and Senior Warden for thirty-six years. During all this time he was the acknowledged leader of the Parish and foremost Layman in the Diocese. While his leadership was acknowledged, it was characterized by his extreme spirituality, and his final judgment embraced the amalgamation of the opinion of others.

Mr. William H. Jones was elected Senior Warden, and E. W. Hunting Junior Warden. New names on the Vestry were Col. Ralph McCoy, U. S. A., Ernest P. Carr, Alan D. Swain, Christian J. Litscher, Harry T. Miller, Claude M. Hurd and Norman A. Lilley.

As has been said, Grace Church has been particularly blessed in its Rectors, but never more so than under the leadership and inspiration that the present Rector has given. Of untiring devotion to the church and her every communicant, no task has been too arduous, no responsibility too heavy, no call too trifling to bring forth his ready sympathy, most earnest effort and consecrated service. As a true Pastor to his flock too much cannot be said. It is in this relationship that his greatest strength lies. As a worker he is indefatigable, as an organizer he has been particularly successful, and the outstanding feature of his rectorate has been his strong spiritual leadership. As his father is a clergyman, he has ever had the church environment and his large acquaintance in the church has been of great benefit to Grace Parish, in that he has been fortunate in bringing to its pulpit many of the most prominent men in the Church. He ever puts before his congregations the history and traditions of the Church in such a strong way that the love for the church is a sure result.

During Mr. Sargent's rectorate many important things have happened.

During the war the different church organizations were reorganized for War work and served most effectually.

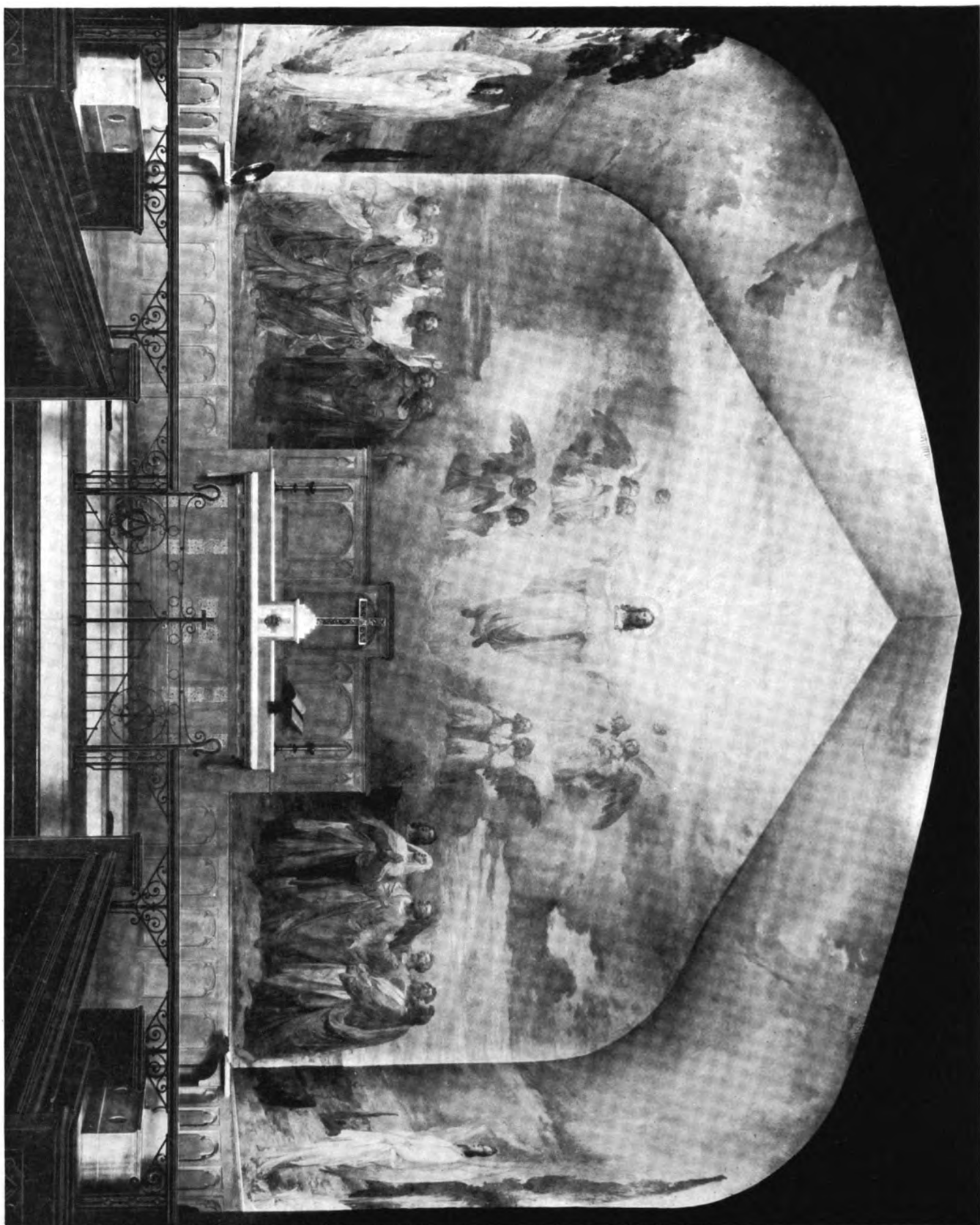
Mr. Sargent was granted leave of absence and was appointed chaplain at Camp Logan in the Great Lakes Training District, serving about four months.

He has completely changed the Sunday School to the new type of Church school. Working directly in connection with the General Department of Religious Education of the Church and making this school one of its demonstration schools; Grace Church was one of the first three parishes in the country to institute the week-day school, cooperating with the Public school, which at the request of the parent assigns public school time for religious instruction at the Church.

To increase the interest of the younger element of the congregation, he has organized a Young People's



REV. G. P. T. SARGENT



ALTAR-SANCTUARY AND MURAL PAINTING GIVEN AS MEMORIAL FOR MR. JACOB KLEINHANS BY HIS WIFE

Society. Meetings are held Sunday evening in the Parish House, a social hour, a speaker and a short religious service, conducted largely by themselves, constitutes a program which has made a great success in holding the High School Boy and Girl.

During the last eight years, five from this parish have volunteered for life service for the Church; the Reverend Frank Van Vliet was ordained here and is at present doing a successful work as Rector of Emmanuel Church, Hastings, Mich.

Miss Alice R. Haan who was trained here in the Church School has become the leader of the Church School and assistant in the parish work at St. Luke's Church, Scranton, Pa.

Miss Florence Platt, also trained here in the school work, after an added course at St.



THE RT. REV. J. N. MCCORMICK, D. D.

Faith's School in New York, is doing rural and city missionary work in and about Providence, R. I. under the direction of Bishop Perry.

Mr. E. E. Piper, one of our choir who was confirmed here at Grace Church, has gone into the educational work of the church and is now the Director of Religious Education of the Diocese of Michigan with headquarters in Detroit.

Miss Hazel E. Kuyers, a graduate nurse who has had special and valuable training in war hospitals and Red Cross work, and organizing health work, has during this Jubilee time, volunteered for China. She is our Jubilee Offering in life work. She has passed her medical examinations and hopes to be sent to the mission field in the fall.

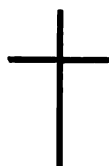
Under Mr. Sargent's leadership the Parish has raised over \$38,000 for the payment of old debts and interest, and for redecorating the church.



ALICE R. HAAN



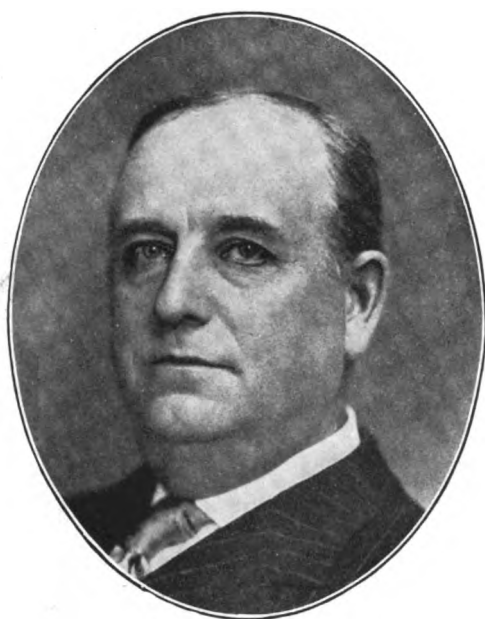
E. E. PIPER



FLORENCE PLATT



HAZEL E. KUYERS



WILLIAM H. JONES

A beautiful stone and marble altar, with a background, of a wonderful mural painting of the "Ascension", this covering the entire wall space of the Sanctuary, was given by Mrs. Kleinhans as a memorial for her husband, Jacob Kleinhans, as was the altar rail by his niece, Mrs. Eaglesfield.

A new Rectory, the home of Miss Mary A. Somerindyck on Morris Avenue, has been deeded to Grace Church.

A vision of the future is being worked out in the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the Sunday School and parish and an attempt to raise an Endowment Fund of \$150,000.

On Sunday, January twenty-ninth, nineteen twenty-two, the sum of \$59,590 was pledged by the congregation which will be offered at the altar at our Jubilee celebration.

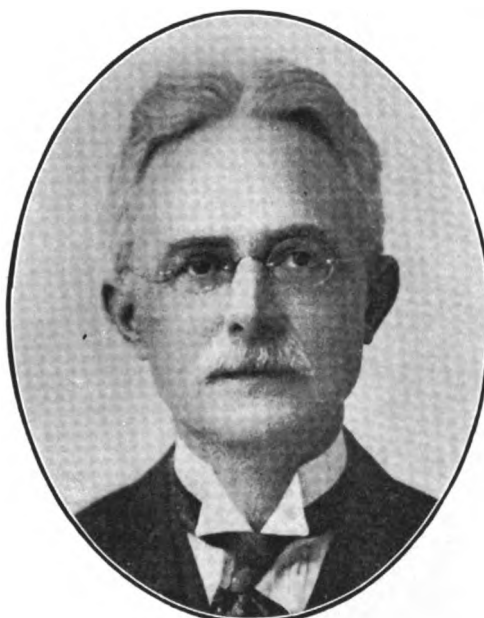
The nucleus of this Endowment Fund was given during the war by St. Margaret's Guild by gifts of Liberty Bonds.

In Mr. Jacob Kleinhans' will a further gift of ten thousand dollars was given.

Connected with the raising of the Endowment Fund, is our effort to raise a fund for Church Extension work. Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Sligh have given the Parish four lots in East Grand Rapids at the corner of Sherman St. and Rosewood Avenue, where we hope to build a chapel, organize a Sunday school and conduct church services.

On Sunday, January twenty-ninth, nineteen twenty-two the sum of \$10865 was pledged for this Extension Fund. Memorials given the church are a Sedalia in memory of Rev. Theodore Knapp, Pulpit in memory of Geo. H. Hardy, electric chandeliers in the name of the children of Mr. and Mrs. E. Berkey Jones. Altar cross by Mrs. W. A. Beal in memory of Mrs. Sarrell Wood. Baptismal font by the children of Mrs. Cornelia Jones. Baptismal ewer by Mrs. Tipson in memory of Lee Tipson, Processional cross by Mrs. Lon Porter, Hymn boards for Lansing Rathbun. Lectern in memory of C. B. Conger, Credence table by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones. Memorial windows for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heald, Dudley Hinsdale, Rev. Seth Chapin, Robert I. Davidson, Alfred Baxter, Mary Beecher Shepard, Melville J. Clark, Lawrence Fuller Boer, and the children, Mary, Harry and Wm. of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Jones. Other windows have been given by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wurzburg, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Swain, Dr. and Mrs. Collins H. Johnston.

The history would not be complete or just without due recognition to the wonderful work accomplished by the women's organizations.



E. W. HUNTING

The present Guilds have increased from the Ladies' Society of years ago to eleven at the present day, each having its own particular tasks, and in which are enrolled nearly all the women of the church.

The Church Service League federates all Parochial organizations into a great strong cooperating force, eliminating duplication and making the church's work more efficient and broader in its scope.

Mrs. Sargent's work in the Church School here has been so valuable it has brought her into great prominence, and as a due recognition of her ability she has been made a member of the national committee of the Church Service League, also a member of the Department of Religious Education of the Presiding Bishop and Council.

In many other ways she most ably seconds Mr. Sargent's efforts, and has endeared herself to all the Parish.

The Parish has had many faithful workers amongst the women, and grateful remembrance should be given their memories, especially Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Julia Hadley, Mrs. F. C. Stratton and Mrs. Sarah D. Ewing.

In January 1922 Mr. William H. Jones resigned as Senior Warden, owing to continued ill health. His resignation was regretfully accepted and he was unanimously elected Senior Warden Emeritus, the highest honor they could confer on a layman, as the Vestry did not feel they could entirely forego his sound judgment and leadership, which the above action ensures.

Mr. E. W. Hunting was elected Senior Warden and Alan D. Swain Junior Warden.

The Parish has been most fortunate in having the continual services of Mr. Verne R. Stilwell as Organist since September 1905 and Choirmaster as well for the last ten years. He has been a most faithful worker and our choir is and always has been one of the best in the city.

The Rector and Vestry have planned to celebrate the fiftieth birthday of the Parish, or its Golden Jubilee, with a banquet at the Pantlind Hotel, Saturday night, February 25th. The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gailor, D. D., President of the Presiding Bishop and Council, will be the speaker.

Sunday, February 26th, will occur our Thanksgiving service, when we hope to place upon the altar pledges for the first \$60,000 of our \$150,000 of our Memorial Endowment Fund, and \$10,000 of our Golden Jubilee Memorial Extension Fund. Bishop Gailor will preach the sermon. Rev. Francis R. Godolphin and wife, and Dr. J. Brewster Hubbs and wife, our ex-rectors, will also be with us to help celebrate the day.

We thank Almighty God for the many blessings vouchsafed this Parish in the past, and ask his continual help and guidance in carrying on our work for the extension of Christ's Kingdom on Earth.



VERNE R. STILWELL



CHURCH IN WARTIME

ROLL OF HONOR



GOLD STARS

Lieut. Kenneth E. Nelson
D. Gordon Brewster

Lieut. Howell Lewis Reid
Philip Champion

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Howard Bacon
Donald Baxter
Howard F. Baxter
Frederic W. Baxter
Claude L. Barclay
Theodore K. Bender
Robert H. Bennett
Gordon B. Bonfield
George V. Brandt
Russell K. Broughton
Charles W. Brown
Warren H. Burchell
Bruce Burlingame
John Harry Buxton
Charles R. Cargill
Richard I. Cargill
Richard O. Chandler
Kenneth Clapp
Jewell Clark
Alden A. Cowdin
George B. Daniels
David Henry Day, Jr.
Homer De Neut
John S. Dyer
Col. V. H. Elmore
Lawrence Enos
Edward L. Fenn
Albert Folger
Harold Fowler
Richard L. Fox
Merle Geary
Harrison Goodspeed
Clarence Goshorn

Freeman Griffith
Alvin W. Heal
Morgan Henika
Harold O. Hicks
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George A. Hodson
Thomas T. Hughes
David Dyer Hunting
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Warren Kusterer
Benjamin Kuyers
Harry D. Kuyers
Hazel Kuyers, R. M.
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Alvin N. Laraway
Harold J. Leyda
Norris A. Lovell
Harry McDonald
Joseph McDonald
Wallace McDonald
Cameron R. MacNeil
Gladstone MacPherson
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Donald Matheson
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CHRONOLOGICAL DATES

Rectors

Rev. Samuel P. Earp	1871
Rev. Seth S. Chapin	1871-1875
Rev. William H. Knowlton	1875-1879
Rev. Charles S. Ward	1879-1880
Rev. Frank C. Coolbaugh	1880-1886
Rev. Geo. C. West	1886-1887
Rev. Theodore J. Knapp, D. D.	1888-1890
Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, D. D.	1891-1897
Rev. R. H. Fortesque Gairdner.	1897-1906
Rev. Francis R. Godolphin	1906-1913
Rev. Geo. Paull Torrence Sargent	1913-

WARDENS

Senior Warden Emeritus

William H. Jones. . . . 1922-

Senior

Timothy Tanner 1877-1879
A. B. Coffinberry. . . . 1879-1881
Jacob Kleinhans 1882-1918
William H. Jones. . . . 1918-1922
E. W. Hunting 1922-

Junior

C. B. Mosher 1877
A. B. Coffinberry. . . . 1878-1879
F. V. Taylor 1879-1881
Jacob Kleinhans 1881-1882
W. H. Raiguel 1882-1902
E. C. Leavenworth 1902-1914
W. H. Jones 1914-1918
E. W. Hunting 1918-1922
Alan D. Swain 1922-

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